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APPLICANT: Covelli CONFIRMATION No.: 1368

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FOR: IN-VITRO METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A HOMOLOGOUS

STENTED TISSUE-ENGINEERED HEART VALVE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a thee month extension of time in response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 17, 2008, in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before April 17, 2009. Payment in the amount of \$555.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3), is filed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Attorney Reference No. **28558-501**.

Respectfully submitted,

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